

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Wednesday, July 18, 2007

450 Child Street, Warren Office, Boardroom, Warren, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Acting Chairman Jannitto at 6:00 pm, in the Warren Office, Boardroom, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

William Gosselin, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, John McElroy, Ian Morrison, Joseph Rego, John Saviano, Frank Sylvia, John Veader

Prior to the Annual Meeting, BCWA's Legal Counsel Ms. Sandra Mack, from Hinckley Allen & Snyder and Mr. Gerald Fogarty and Mr. Gene McCabe of Pheonix Investment made brief presentations before the Board.

The Chairman introduced Ms. Sandra Mack who presented BCWA's quarterly report. 1. Warren Sewer Commission – BCWA acknowledges the original agreement between BCWA and the Warren

Sewer Commission. BCWA will probably sign a new agreement with the Warren Sewer Commission.

2. East Providence Matters, CDM will perform an analysis of the East Providence Pump Station. BCWA and East Providence will split the cost of this analysis.

The Chairman introduced Mr. Gerald Fogarty and Mr. Gene McCabe from Phoenix Investment Management who presented BCWA's Pension Plan Annual Report to the Board.

The Board entered its Annual Meeting at 6:30 pm.

The Board returned to its regular meeting at 6:40 pm.

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meeting were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of June 21, 2007, be approved.

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VOTED: That the minutes of the regular meeting of June 21, 2007, be

approved.

Director Rego questioned if a motion for a pay increase for two employees had been taken in open session. Executive Director DeLise stated that the motion had been taken.

Director Sylvia amended the motion to accept minutes as amended.

Motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To accept Executive Session minutes of June 21, 2007, as amended.

Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT FINANCE COMMITTEE

Director Sylvia reported:

Old Business

1. Status of Water Resources Board Grant Requests, Executive Director DeLise stated that a meeting was held with Romeo Mendes and Juan Mariscal from RIWRB, Director Allan Klepper and Acting Chairman John Jannitto concerning the Phase II improvements of the Water Treatment Plant. RIWRB and BCWA will write an RFP for a feasibility study and the work to be done.

2. Other Potential Fund Raising Venues, Clearwire US LLC, Nevada, (Wireless Broadband Provider), is interested in BCWA site at Fountain Avenue Tank, Barrington. Director Sylvia asked that the proposal/agreement be evaluated.

3. RI Clean Water Finance Agency Loan Application, Executive Director DeLise stated that a meeting had been held with Gary Chobanian of DOH on the \$5 Million loan, and application is in progress.

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Director Klepper reported:

1. Water Pressure Workshop, Bristol 2/7/07, presentation on 7/10/07 by CDM for the development of BCWA Hydraulic Model. (Present from the Towns were: Barrington – Peter DeAngelis, Town Manager, Gerald Bessette, Barrington Fire Chief; Bristol – James Farley, Bristol Planning Board.)

Item to be discussed at August meetings.

New Business

1. Anawan Club, Reps from Anawan Club were present at Committee meetings of July 10. Director Klepper stated that a formal response will be discussed at the August committee meetings.

2. Bristol Street – Paving Requirements, Meeting held with Town on

6/13/07. Present at meeting were Director Rego, Ms. Mederos, P. Ramsay and P. DeLise.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Director Veader reported:

Old Business

- 1. Office Front Yard Landscaping, No news.**
- 2. Staff Employees Yearly Review, revised recommendation for salary adjustments based on a budget of \$18,000.**

New Business

- 1. Local 359 Annual Outing, Last year Board granted \$500.00 towards Union Employee Annual Outing. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously**

VOTED: To appropriate \$500.00 for Local 359 Annual Outing.

- 2. Recent Correspondence from BCWA Customer, Whipple Street, Barrington, Distribution Superintendent stated that Mr. Galvin had replaced his water tank and filters and the problem of rusty water was still present. Mr. Galvin is requesting BCWA to supply him with one filter per month for one year. Director Veader stated that Mr. Galvin had done everything BCWA recommended and the problem was still there. Twelve filters would cost BCWA \$250. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was**

VOTED: To go along with the Galvin's request and give them one filter a month for one year.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Director Sylvia made the following motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Staff Employees Yearly Review under RIGL 42-46.5.

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session.

Roll Call Vote all present voted Aye.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:35 pm.

The Board returned to open session at 8:00 pm.

It was then

VOTED: To accept merit increases as recommended by the Executive Director.

Motion passed 8 – 1, Director Sylvia voted nay.

Executive Director P. DeLise updated the Board on a possible leak of the East Bay Pipeline. BCWA was notified of a possible leak on

7/12/07. The leak has not been found yet. The EBP is 24” and made of ½” steel. Samples taken indicate that it may be drinking water, the location is an old dumpsite and de-watering this site for exploration is difficult. Brito Construction was engaged to work at the site.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

John L. McElroy, Jr.

Secretary

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